

Dear Vice-President Gore,

Soon, you must decide how to restore wild salmon in the Columbia and Snake Rivers. I urge you to adopt measures which restore more natural conditions to these rivers. I urge you to end the failed practice of barging salmon around dams.

I encourage you to choose partial removal of the four Lower Snake River dams as the centerpiece of your restoration plan. This alternative is scientifically and economically practical, cost effective, and is the only option that will fully comply with federal laws and treaties. Unless you take this bold step, Snake River salmon will go extinct. Your decision will be a test of your commitment to a healthy environment and a sustainable economy. I support partial removal of the Lower Snake dams by the 200th anniversary of Lewis and Clark in 2005.

Please make this part of the official public comment record for the Administration's decision. Thank you.